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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

HRUBESH et al.

Serial No.: US 10/050,437

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For: LIGHTWEIGHT, HIGH STRENGTH
CARBON AEROGEL COMPOSITES
AND METHOD OF FABRICATION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is a preliminary amendment in a RCE Application. It comprises a response to the Office Action mailed January 21, 2004 in the parent application. Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: